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SUBJECT: MAKARIOS RETURNS TO CYPRUS

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1. SUMMARY. ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS RETURNS IN TRIUMPH. TURNOUT IS LARGE, ORDERLY, BUT CROWDS SEEM RATHER APATHETIC TO SPEECH WHICH INTER ALIA OFFERS AMNESTY TO LOCAL GREEK ENEMIES, STRIKES HARD LINE AGAINST TURK "FAITS ACCOMPLIS" AND TRANSFERS OF POPULATIONS WHICH TANTAMOUNT TO PARTITION. MARKARIOS, FOR ONCE, MADE NO CRITICAL ALLUSION TO USG. END SUMMARY.

2. ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS RETURNED TO CYPRUS DECEMBER 7 IN PERSONAL TRIUMPH. ENTIRE PROGRAM WENT OFF WITHOUT ANY APPARENT
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HITCH. SHORTLY BEFORE 1000 LOCAL, ARCHBISHOP LANDED AT AKROTIRI

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SBA WHERE HE MET WITH UNSYG SPECIAL REP WECKMANN (WHO DEPARTING FOR NEW YORK). UN HELICOPTER THEN BROUGHT ARCHBISHOP TO NICOSIA, WHICH HAD BEEN GAILY FESTOONED FOR HIS ARRIVAL. MAIN STREETS AND MANY BUILDINGS DISPLAYED BANNERS OF WELCOME, WITH GENERALLY NONPROVOCATIVE THEMES: APPLICATION OF UN RESOLUTIONS, RETURN OF REFUGEES TO HOMES, RECONCILIATION OF GREEK CYPRIOTS WITH TURK CYPRIOTS AND WITH EACH OTHER. SINCE FRIDAY, POPULAR MIKIS THEODORAKIS SONGS HAD BEEN BROADCAST OVER SPEAKER SYSTEMS AT MAIN SQUARES. EARLIER SENSE OF FOREBODING IN SOME QUARTERS HAD EVAPORATED THIS MORNING, DUE MAINLY TO (1) PUBLIC PLEDGES FROM RIGHTISTS CAMP (EOKA-B,
ESEA) THAT IW WOULD SEEK NO CONFRONTATION, (2) ELABORATE SECURITY PRECAUTIONS, AND (3) RECENT DENKTASH REMARKS (HEAVILY PLAYED IN TODAY'S GREEK PRESS) THAT MAKARIOS' RETURN WOULD NOT REPEAT NOT BRING ON NEW ROUND OF TURKISH MILITARY OPERATIONS (FBIS TA 062050Z).

3. DAY BEGAN WITH "MAKARIOS WEATHER" WINDLESS, BRIGHT, BALMY, NOT A CLOUD IN THE SKY. AS UN HELICOPTER CIRCLED LAZILY OVER CITY, MAKARIOS APPEARED ON ARCHBISHOPRIC BALCONY, LATER ENTERED ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL TO OFFICIATE AT HIS FIRST CYPRUS MASS IN FIVE MONTHS. MASSES OF GREEK CYPRIOTS HAD COME TO WELCOME THEIR ETHNARCH HOME. CROWD WAS QUITE LARGE, PERHAPS EXCEEDING SPRING 1972 GATHERING. MOST PEOPLE APPEARRED PEACEFUL, WELL DRESSED, BUT MORE CONCERNED WITH SEEING ARCHBISHOP THAN LISTENING TO WHAT HE HAD TO SAY. MANY CHILDREN PRESENT. EMBOFFS AND LOCAL EMPLOYEES SAW NO REPEAT NOT INCIDENTS. THOUGH LARGE, NOISY CLAQUE WAS PRESENT AT ARCHBISHOPRIC SQUARE, BROADER MASSES SELDOM FOLLOWED LEAD. SPONTANEOUS OVATIONS ONLY OCCURRED AT FIRST MENTION OF CLERIDES, NG COMMANDER GENERAL KARAYIANNIS, AND APPEARANCE BY MAKARIOS ON BALCONY STILL HEAVILY SCARRED BY COUP FIGHTING. ALMOST AS SOON AS ARCHBISHOP STARTED SPEAKING, LARGE EXODUS FROM AREA BEGAN AS GREEK CYPRIOTS HASTENED TO BEST THE RUSH (PERHAPS ALSO GATHERING RAINCLOUDS).

4. MAKARIOS' SPEECH, FREQUENTLY INTERRUPTED BY LEFTIST CLAQUE WHICH CHANTED SLOGANS AGAINST JUNTA AND LOCAL ENEMIES, REPEATED MOST OF HIS RECENT PUBLIC THEMES. HE SHARPLY ATTACKED GREEK JUNTA FOR SETTING OFF COUP. HE RAPPED GOT'S USE OF COUP AS "PRETEXT" FOR INVADING CYPRUS. THOUGH PROFESSING DESIRE TO CONFIDENTIAL



FIND SOLUTION TO CYPRUS PROBLEM THROUGH TALKS WITH TURK CYPRIOTS AND VOICING CONVICTION THAT WAY COULD BE FOUND FOR"SELF-ADMIN-ISTRATION OF TWO CO-RESIDENT ELEMENTS", MAKARIOS STRESSED THAT GREEK CYPRIOTS WOULD NEITHER RECOGNIZE NOR ACCEPT "FAITS ACCOMPLIS ACHIEVED THROUGH MILITARY OPERATIONS". MOREOVER, HE REJECTED CATEGORICALLY ANY SOLUTION BASED ON MOVEMENT OF POPULA-TIONS AND TANTAMOUNT TO PARTITION OF CYPRUS. OTHERWISE, ARCH-BISHOP VOICED NO VIEWS ON POSSIBLE SOLUTION TO CYPRUS PROBLEM.

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SPEECH MADE NO REFERENCE TO USG, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY.

5. MAKARIOS STRUCK POSE AS RECONCILER, PEACEMAKER. HE INVEIGHED AGAINST "OUTDATED CHAUVINISTIC TENDENCIES OR PREJUDICES OF PAST." HE PROCLAIMED AMNESTY FOR ALL HIS FORMER ENEMIES, INCLUDING THOSE WHO HAD TAKEN PART IN COUP. HE CALLED ON ALL FACTIONS TO TURN IN WEAPONS TO GOC AUTHORITIES. HE PLEDGED TO DO ALL POSSIBLE TO SOLVE THE PROBLEMS AND EXPECTATIONS OF HIS PEOPLE, BUT HE SPECIFICALLY AVOIDED MAKING PROMISES WHICH HE COULD "PROBABLY" NOT REDEEM. THROUGHOUT, MAKARIOS PLAYED EXCLUSIVE ROLE OF CHARSIMATIC LEADER TALKING TO "HIS" PEOPLE. HE DID NOT MENTION CLERIDES ONCE NOR INDICATE THAT CYPRUS HAD BEEN GOVERNED WELL, OR AT ALL, DURING HIS ABSENCE.

6. BEHAVIOR OF CROWD DURING AND AFTER SPEECH WAS LARGELY INDIFFERENT. MAKARIOS' RHETORIC SET NONE OF THEM ON FIRE; IT MAY HAVE SOBERED SOME. AFTERWARD, FROM OUR LIMITED OBSERVATION, FEW PEOPLE DISCUSSING SPEECH; MOST WERE HASTENING TO REACH THEIR CARS BEFORE RAINS FELL.

7. COMMENT. TRIUMPHANT, UNBLEMISHED RETURN GIVES MAKARIOS MUCH TO BE THANKFUL FOR. WHILE GIVING NOBLE PROMISES, MOST OF WHICH HAVE BEEN HEARD BEFORE, MAKARIOS CAREFULLY AVOIDED COMMITMENT TO SPECIFIC COURSE OF ACTION. REJECTION OF TURK FAITS ACCOMPLIS WAS MINIMUM HE COULD HAVE OFFERED GREEK REFUGEES WHO DOUBTEDLESS EXPECTED SOMETHING MORE CONCRETE, SUCH AS PLEDGE TO RETURN THEIR HOMES TO THEM. MAKARIOS IS OBVIOUSLY READY TO CONTINUE "STRUGGLE", THOUGH. HIS HARDLINE OPPOSITION TO POPULATION MOVEMENT COULD SPELL TROUBLE IF IMPLEMENTED AS GOC POLICY, GIVEN IMPORTANCE WHICH TURKS ATTACH TO BRINGING THEIR PEOPLE INTO NORTHERN ZONE. END COMMENT.
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